

Herndon-Monroe Metrorail Station North Side Planning Time Line

	Actions by Herndon	Actions by Others
July 1998	Herndon participates in Dulles Corridor Task Force formed by State Secretary of Transportation to explore bus and rail options.	
June 2000		Planning for Dulles metrorail begins with work on the environmental review process under the National Environmental Policy Act.
January 2001	Herndon completes a study of access improvements on the north side of the planned Herndon-Monroe metrorail station. The town's request for a pedestrian bridge to a north entrance pavilion was incorporated into Metrorail plans. The town's concept for a north side bus loop and drop off area was not incorporated, as it would have required major land acquisition. The town recognized that the facility could be built in the future as part of private property redevelopment.	
August 2002	Herndon Town Council passes a resolution endorsing Metrorail as the locally preferred alternative.	
October 2002		Fairfax County Board of Supervisors passes resolution endorsing Metrorail as the locally preferred alternative.
June 2004		Comprehensive Agreement to Develop the Dulles Corridor Rapid Transit Project between Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation and Dulles Transit Partners.
December 2003	A special commercial tax district proposed by a landowners' group fails to win Herndon support as proposed.	
March 2005		After extensive regional and multi-agency planning, the Final Environmental Impact Statement is approved for the extension of Metrorail to Loudoun County.
January 2008		FTA Administrator tells Virginia and MWAA that the project will not qualify for certain funding and warns of major problems with the project.
April 2008		U.S. Transportation Secretary reverses the federal stand on Dulles rail; the project is set to win final approval and moved into final design.
August 2008	TC adopts revised comprehensive plan with an explicit commitment to rail station planning. Herndon-Monroe Station with north entrance pavilion in the Town of Herndon is a feature shown	
November 2008		Virginia transfers the control of the Dulles Toll Road to MWAA which becomes the jurisdiction with authority over the Dulles rail project in partnership with others such as WMATA, VDOT, Fairfax County, Loudoun County, Herndon, and others.
March 2009		Full funding grant Agreement for Phase I is signed after Congressional approval and construction on Phase I of the Silver Line begins (from East Falls Church to Wiehle Avenue).
May 2009		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The U.S. Department of Transportation releases \$77.3 million through the economic recovery package to the Dulles Corridor Rail Project, allowing preliminary engineering for Phase 2 to proceed. MWAA decides to pursue preliminary engineering for Phase II of the Silver Line. Fairfax County Board of Supervisors authorizes Dulles Corridor Transit Station Areas Special Study.
June 2009	Town Council directs staff to proceed with metrorail station area plan and issue a Request for Proposals.	
August 2009	Town formally issues a Request for Proposal for metro rail station area plan.	
November 2009	Town Council approves a special tax district for metrorail after landowners agree to support it.	
December 2009		Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approves special tax district for metrorail.
December 2009	Town signs task order to revisit study of access improvements in Herndon at the metrorail station.	
February 2010	Herndon participates in MWAA agency coordination meetings.	MWAA launches Phase II preliminary engineering.
April 2010	Town Council awards contract for Herndon Metrorail Station Area Plan and consulting work begins soon after.	